(d) The process of identifying suitable persona for nominations as Directors on tbe Boards of.Nationalised Banks is under way.

Foreign tourists

773. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state-.

(a) the number of foreign tourists who visited India during the years 1984-85, 1985-S6 and so far during the current financial year, country-wise;

(b) whethe^ there has been any increase or decrease in the number of foreign tourists visited India; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to encourage visits to India by foreign tourists? '

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) A statement showing country-wise tourist arrivals in India during 1984 and 1981 together with percentage charges is annexed (See below). These statics are compiled on calender year basis.

(c) The steps initiated to boost foreign tourists inflow to the country include reorientation of publicity campaigns giving emphasis on consumer advertising, stepping up of public relations with overseas media agencies, tour operators and travel agents abroad. Participation in international travel fairs and exhibitions, sending) promotional delegations to important markets abroad, development of infrastructural facilities and improvement of transport systems including airlines capacity and permitting tourist charters.

Statement

Tourist arrivals in India by Country of Nationality 1984-85

Country of Nationality	1984	1985	% Change 1985/84
North America			
Canada	25,135	29,022	15·5
U.S.A.	95,651	95,920	0·3
TOTAL :	120,786	124,942	3·4
Central and South America			
Argentina	925	1,028	11·1
Brazil	1,179	1,469	24.6
Mexico	1,824	1,637	—10·3
Others	4,089	3,882	— 5·1
TOTAL :	8,017	8,016	..

Country of Nationality	1984	1985	%Change 1985/84
Western Europe			
Austria	7,049	6,878	−2·4
Belgium	5,497	5,812	5·7
Denmark	5,671	5,480	−3·4
Finland	1,743	2,277	30·6
France	47,148	44,091	−6·5
Federal Rep. of Germany	47,913	44,790	−6·5
Greece	1,768	2,057	16·3
Italy	23,570	23,187	−1·6
Netherlands	12,101	13,158	8·7
Norway	2,622	2,663	1·6
Spain	7,532	7,578	0·6
Sweden	7,669	8,037	4·8
Switzerland	14,915	14,855	−·04
U.K.	124,205	119,544	−3·8
Others	4,736	5,001	5·6
TOTAL :	314,139	305,408	−2·8
Eastern Europe			
Czechoslovakia	1,390	914	−34·2
U.S.S.R.	14,829	14,202	−4·2
Yugoslavia	1,261	1,628	29·1
Others	10,158	12,030	18·4
TOTAL :	27,638	28,774	4·1
Africa			
Kenya	7,716	6,084	−21·2
Mauritius	3,259	3,026	−7·1
Nigeria	11,747	10,872	−7·4
South Africa	9,180	3,093	−66·3
Tanzania	5,318	4,133	−22·3
Egypt	1,500	1,784	18·9
Others	10,441	11,287	8·1
TOTAL :	49,161	40,279	−18·1

Country of Nationality	1984	1986	% Change 1986/84
West Asia			
Lebanon	722	761	5·4
Peraian Gulf Countries	41,613	54,425	30·8
Saudi Arabia	22,449	20,728	−7·7
Others	14,076	14,906	5·9
TOTAL :	78,860	90,820	15·2
South Asia			
Afghanistan	6,654	6,711	0·8
Sri Lanka	75,449 (Revised)	69,063	−8·5
Iran	15,302	23,305	52·3
Others	14,687	17,810	21·3
TOTAL :	112,092	116,889	4·3
South East Asia			
Indonesia	1,907	2,011	5·5
Malaysia	22,993	23,265	1·2
Philippines	4,354	3,027	−30·5
Singapore	19,204	18,485	−3·7
Thailand	7,094	6,051	−14·7
Others	1,641	1,824	11·1
TOTAL :	57,193	54,663	−4·4
East Asia			
Japan	29,566	30,573	3·4
Hong Kong	1,420	1,327	26·5
Others	5,306	7,199	35·7
TOTAL :	36,292	39,099	7·7

Country of Nationality	1984	1985	% Change 1984/85
Australasia			
Australia	24,546	22,047	−10·2
New Zealand	4,937	4,267	−13·6
Others	907	1,008	11·1
TOTAL :	20,390	27,322	−10·1
Stateless	935	696	−25·6
TOTAL :	835,503	836,908	0·2
Pakistan	110,706	150,126	35·6
Bangladesh	247,543	272,350	10·0
TOTAL :	358,249	422,476	17·9
GRAND TOTAL :	1193,752	1259,384	5·5

Closed mills and Industrial units

774. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state;

(a) the number of mills and industrial units closed down during the above period March, 1984 to June, 1986;

(b) the number of mills and industrial units closed down during the above period on account of lock-outs and strikes, separately; and

(c) how many man-days were lost due to lock-outs and closures during the same period?

THE MTNISTER OF STATE OP THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Labour Bureau maintains information on closures due to reasons other than industrial disputes only, such as scarcity of raw material, power shortage, break-down of machinery, lack of demand etc. This information is maintained by calendar years and not by financial years. According to latest provisional returns received in the Labour Bureau, the number of such closures was 199 in 1984, 195 in 1985 and 84 during January-April, 1986.

(b) Information on closures due to strike and lock-outs is not maintaned.

(c) The number of man-days lost due to lock-out was 16.07 million in 1984, 17.96 million in 1985 and 3.55 million during January-April, 1986. There can be no man-days lost due to closures.

Judgement of the Calcutta High Court on the Peeless General Finance and Investment Company Limited

775. SHRI RAM CHANDRA VIKAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the